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In re Application of:

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AMENDMENT & REPLY TO RESTRICTION (ELECTION) WITH CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated 20 June 2006, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely.

The present amendment introduces a multiply dependent claim (claim 161). The fee for presenting such a claim is addressed in the EFS-WEB generated fee transmittal.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicants submit corrected formal Figs. 1, 7A, 8, 10, 13, 17, 18, 23, and 24 (in respective replacement sheets) for the examiner's approval. These figures have been mainly corrected to properly depict the recording medium 1 with respect to the third and fourth links 7, 8. Specifically, portions of the recording medium 1 hidden by the third and fourth links 7, 8 are now depicted in phantom (dashed lines). Figs. 13, 17, 18, 23, and 24 also have been amended to correct the reference numbers. No new matter has been introduced.